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GENERAL SECRETARY

Klukwan, Alaska.

November 27th? 1919.

Rev. James H. Condit,
General Missionary for Alaska.
Juneau, Alaska.

My Dear Dr. Condit:- We have been thinking as we are perched way up here in the hills under the beetling crags of the giant mountains that shield us from the rough north wind, of the many thrilling trips we enjoyed on board the good little ship Lois when there was nothing to keep us from the fury of the gale and we had to take it? It is indeed peaceful here, the quiet Chilkat river glides silently by and in the month just passed very little rain has fallen and the wind seldom whistles round the corner of the manse or forces its way thorough cracks in the weatherboarding.

It is indeed restful and a great relief to know that though the wind may blow and the ice form I can when the days work is over draw my easy chair up to the fire and be perfectly at ease. We have no boat to drag anchor, go on the rocks or drift out of harbor. The freedom from responsibility in this respect is wonderful, yes wonderful, you can form no idea of what it means (unless you have tried it) to care for as large a boat as the Lois. But along with the relief comes another feeling of deep regret that we are not onboard the brave little vessel for I feel the work of the Lois has not yet properly begun.

I believe Hoonah is a great center for missionary work. It should be thoroughly organized and the gospel preached regularly to the fifteen hundred or two thousand souls in that territory. If we do not wake up to it soon some other church will. The Catholic or some other organization will and then we will have lost our opportunity.

We are talking so much about the New Era. It is a great thing and we will get the money but if we do not spend it to the best advantage what profit will it be. It is a hard thing to say but you and I know the Presbyterian church has sent too many men into the field who have failed. Good men and true but they just could not understand the work. The money was spent and lost. The natives were discouraged and the men themselves received a setback that was hard to overcome.

The Navy spends ten thousand dollars on each one of her officers before they go from school to the ships and then it is only after years of hard service that they are trusted with the command of even a very small one. We however send out our men fresh from some little church in the east or the seminary and expect them to take full charge of a great bunch of wild men, to teach and lead them in all that they do.

The new man undoubtedly knows all about the "Babylonian Captivity of the Papacy". Savonarola. the Diet of Worms and many other great and good things but what does he know about Thlingets

FEB 9 1920

Dr. Condit (2)

Hydels, carburators, gasoline, internal combustion engines, or the every day workings of the ordinary life of a red blooded Alaskan white or red.

I have a plan which with your permission I should like to send into the Board. Hoonah is the largest field and I believe the most important in point of numbers. Two men are needed to man the Lois and do the work as it should be done. Can we not send a man who is tried and knows the ropes, is willing to work and work hard to take charge of that field and then send a new man to be with him for a year with the understanding that he is there not only to do missionary work from the beginning but also to really learn the business. And then to take up his work in some other field in Alaska. At the end of the year he will have some idea of the real need of the field. The lives the natives live, the class of white men he will have to deal with, the sea in all its moods and playfulness, the darkness, rocks, tides, winds, icebergs and long hours. He will know how to handle a mission boat in the hardest part of Southeastern Alaska. He will learn the character of the natives first hand and not be prejudiced by the opinions of others, and best of all he will learn to know his own mind in the matter and be free to weigh the whole thing carefully and if he feels unable to continue in the work, or that he is too big a man to bury his talents in Alaska he can leave without unsettling the natives as so many have done.

On the other hand I believe the average presbyterian minister is made of such good stuff that if he had the chance of starting out with a man of experience he would soon learn that the storms are fierce but not dangerous if rightly handled, all the other hardships are blessings in disguise and that the whole work is one great joy and of far greater importance than the Fifth Avenue Church or even to become the Moderator of the General Assembly.

The Lois and her work should be featured. Dr. Grenfeld and his work is known all over the world, the work the Lois should do in the Hoonah district is just as important as ever his was. She should have onboard a moving picture machine like those used by the Y.M.C.A. on the U.S. Transports during the war. A man could carry the whole thing in one hand film and all. I know many will say we are not in the show business but I believe a good clean evenings entertainment in one of those out of the way canneries will do more good than we know anything about. She should be stocked with the best magazines and be a regular circulating library. I know we would get cooperation if we made it worth while. As it stands now very few outside of the Alaska Presbytery know anything about the Lois. The Methodists are going to spend their hundred million. The Salvation Army is stronger than ever and the K. of C. is doing its best to get control. The Presbyterian church has done the greatest work in the past. We have the field right now but it seems to me we are not putting forth the effort we must if we mean to remain in the lead. The Lois should be known for her direct gospel work, the pictures, magazines and books should be only a means to the one great end the leading of men to God. Cannot this thing be done. It will take but very little more money and I know it will receive the blessing of God.

Most cordially yours

Geo. J. Beck

APPLICATION FOR AID

TO THE

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IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

156 Fifth Avenue, New York

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SYNOD of Washington

PRESBYTERY of Alaska

Missionary District of Hoonah including the Presbyterian churches of
Hoonah

and the out-stations of Tenakee, Hot Springs, Fresh water Bay,
Hawk Inlet, Funtar Bay, Excursion Inlet, Dundas Bay,
and several others

Missionary in Charge, Rev. Geo J Beck, P. O. Address Hoonah Alaska

Amount of aid asked from the Board for the minister, \$ 16.00 From what date? _____ No. of months _____

HELPERS	P. O. Address	Amount of Aid Asked from Board	No. of Months	From What Date?	Total Salary
(1) _____	_____	\$ _____	_____	_____	\$ _____
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At Hoonah Alaska

Are there any manses in your district? One If so how many and where located?

At Hoonah Alaska

Rent per month \$ _____ Paid by whom? _____

Population of your district 2000 Principal business Fishing and Mining

The other denominations represented in the district, with their respective memberships, are as follows:

All denominations, Have no way of telling membership

[illegible]

Out-Stations

[illegible]

The foregoing application of the Native Church of Hoonah, Alaska & outstations is hereby approved
by the Presbytery of Alaska and its Home Mission Committee for \$ 1600⁰⁰
from April 1, 1920 to March 31, 1921
Geo. G. Bruce Chairman of Committee
April 15, 1920

REMARKS BY THE HOME MISSION COMMITTEE

May 6, 1920.

Rev. George J. Beck,

Hoonah, Alaska.

My dear Brother:--

The Board has been convinced for a long time that it was important that the Indians should have practical training in the Scriptural duty of supporting their pastors up to the measure of their ability. It has been voted to begin this training this year. Provision has been made so that you are assured of your full salary, viz.: \$1,600., but it is desired that you should give suitable and sufficient instruction to your people concerning this duty and then arrange for a thorough, every-member canvass to secure the largest reasonable sum for this object. The sum pledged should be paid to a local treasurer and by him paid to you. In sending to our treasury your usual monthly voucher, please report the amount received by you from your local treasurer so that the proper reduction may be made here.

The officers of the Board are not unmindful of the fact that you may approach this duty with some hesitancy, but our prayer is that you may be guided from above both in spirit and method of performance and that you may have both joy and success.

Vouchers for the current year will be forwarded to you by the Treasurer's office. Report blanks for the year are enclosed herewith; one set to be sent to the Board and a duplicate copy to Dr. Condit, General Missionary for Alaska.

And with all good wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

Enclosures--

JD/I.

SPECIAL WORK
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January 15, 1921.

Rev. George J. Beck,
Hoonah, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Beck:

I have just received a dandy letter from Dr. Swain of the Woodland Presbyterian Church, stating that his recent letter from you was so good that he had turned it over to "The Presbyterian" with the request that they shall publish it. This is fine and I sure must encourage you in your work.. It is a satisfaction to us to know that your efforts are so pleasing to the Church that is interested in your work.

I am

Very sincerely yours

Financial Secretary.

WRP:MEL.

January 19, 1921.

Mr. Samuel S. Childs,

Bernardsville, N. J.

My dear Mr. Childs:-

The enclosed report from Rev. George J. Beck of Hoonah, Alaska, the missionary of the Board at that place, and who also has charge of the "Lois", has just come into my hands. I find it very interesting reading and have thought that possibly it might be as interesting to you. I therefore send it and would ask you to kindly return it to me at your convenience.

With sincere respect and grateful appreciation of your interest in the Board's work, I am,

Cordially yours,

Enclosure-

(Stamped envelope enclosed)

JD/I.

JAN 19 1921

Please Return to Dr. Dixon.

W. M. Jones
In reporting the work of this station and that done onboard the mission boat Lois in connection with the Hoonah Church I can give you only a brief outline. We have held services in the Hoonah church whenever we could be home. The entire summer has been spent with the people in their camps and at the canneries. Some weeks we have held services nearly every evening at different points. Our largest meeting was at the Hoonah Packing company on the fourth of July when I spoke to over five hundred. With only Mrs. Beck and myself as crew the Lois has traveled one thousand five hundred and seventy miles in actual missionary service since the first of last April. All the work of the boat such as cleaning, painting, cooking, navigating and the running and care of the machinery has been done by the missionary and his wife.

The fall meeting of Presbytery

In picking up the ministers from their different stations taking them to Metlakatla where the meeting was held and then calling at other stations with the general missionary and members of the Home Mission Committee, the Lois traveled an additional eight hundred miles giving her a total mileage of two thousand three hundred and seventy miles. During this trip Dr. Condit general missionary acted as chief steward, Rev. Waggoner was the navigating officer and I the engineer and licensed master of the vessel.

General description of the Lois.

She is a schooner rigged gasboat of twenty one tons. By that we mean she has two masts and carries three sails as well as her propelling power of oil. Is powered by an Eastern Standard four cylinder engine of thirty two H.P. Is fifty five feet long and has eleven feet beam. Has ample cabin space and a fine pilot house forward with controls leading up from the engine to the steering wheel, which makes her a one man boat. Her house is white, decks slate, and hull black. Her life bouy which is carried forward of the wheel house where all may see has inscribed upon it in plain black letters the name of the boat "LOIS" and the text "LUKE 10, 25-28."

Nature of service.

The work of the Lois is first of all to carry the gospel of Christ to the people of this part of Alaska who are away from all religious influence for six months of the year. To help settle disputes that will arise. To encourage the faithful. To discourage the attempts of the wicked. To visit the sick. To inspire patriotism, love of order and good government. To teach the people that it is much better to keep the law than to pay the penalty when it is broken. Our new moving picture machine supplied by the Board this year will be a great factor in this work.

Class of people reached.

White and native are in the majority, but we meet hundreds of Chinese, Japs, Filipinos, Mexicans, Koreans, Koreans, in fact nearly every country in the world is represented on the fishing grounds. While we find many of the finest people we also have to work against influences of the worst character. Every form of religion, every "ism" of politics are met with and our poor natives are puzzled. We find the lowest order of foreigners and they are all preaching their pernicious doctrines of discontent, sedition, revolution and the end of all things good.

Cooperation and appreciation

One cannery superintendent asked me to speak to his Phillipino crew. He said conditions were bad and if I could do something to better conditions he would stand by me. I found they were having a very bad influence on the young native people. Three of the native women were living in the bunk house with these fellows. I got them out. Talked with the men and took two of the worst of them away with me on the Lois. On my next trip in to that place the superintendent said "I have two hundred gallons of distillate on the dock for you, your work here is of great service and help, it is the least I can do". At another cannery I went into the machine shop to get some work done I could not do myself. The chief machinest and his helper worked the greater part of a day on the machine, when I asked the superintendent what the charges were he said "forget it, we are under obligations to you anyway". At still another fishing station the superintendent sent for me and said "Mr. Beck cant you do something to better conditions here. We have some very good natives but there are some bad ones, three young girls in particular are running wild with the Mexicans". I called the mexicans together read the law to them, I also talked with the girls and their parents, a few days later the girls were sent back to school. At the Tenekee cannery five or six young native girls came to the meeting, one of them played the organ, they all sang, two of them were in high school and were working at the cannery to get money to go back to school in the fall. Fine looking girls they were, neatly dressed, perfect ladies, but oh what a fight they had to make to keep pure. Three hundred gallons of oil burned on the trip of Presbytery was supplied by the members of the native church just organized at Metlakatla. One hundred gallons was furnished by another party. We have been made doubly welcome at all our stations this summer.

Importance of the work

The Lois is the only boat of her class in this part of Alaska. No other church is working at the canneries and for six months of the year the three thousand persons ~~persons~~ working on the fishing grounds in reach of this one mission station are without the influence of regular religious services except as our boat is able to reach them at different times.

Our government has spent tens of thousands, patrolling these waters this summer with Destroyers and Subchasers, doing needed work. but all for the purpose of punishing men, and so little is done to help them to better lives. It can only be done through the gospel and it must be carried to them. We hear rumors that the canneries will not operate next summer, in that case our people will be scattered more than ever, the Lois should be on the go all the time and surely when our villages are deserted so much of the year the work of a gospel boat in the camps is vastly important.

Condition of the boat at present

(The hull is in good condition but as every boatman knows needs looking over every year.) New paint must be put on, the many knocks, bumps and bruises must be smoothed over, a new rope ^{re} here and there and perhaps a new port light or window. (Nine years have past since she was built and her sails are gone. They are a very important part of her equipment. They may mean the saving of the boat and crew. The engine has done wonderful work but now needs regular overhauling to make her safe.) She should be rebored, have new igniters, valve stems and several other things. (To do all this she should be rated as a missionary and be given full salary. We are deeply grateful for the support that has been given us but we are only doing half the work that could and should be done, if the needs and importance of the field was fully understood.)

Our church at the home station.

Our board of Elders take full charge of the temporal work of the church. They take turns with the peacons week and week about doing the janitor work. They have the winters supply of fuel ahead. Look after the lights and all repairs. We have a church treasurer and all money is in her hands under the supervision of the session. We have a Sunday school of one hundred members fully organized and self supporting. The church has eighty seven members and has an average attendance of one hundred and ten. They pay their own interpreter and are ready to subscribe to Red Cross and other worthy objects when they understand how the money is to be used. The elders are all members of the town council. Mrs Beck has just organized the women into a village improvement society of fifty nine members. they are much interested. While many things are not as we would have them and there is much room for improvement we feel the holy spirit is working in the hearts of men here and we thank God for His mercy and the wonderful way he has blessed us this year.

Very sincerely yours

George J. Beck
Honah.

Alaska

Hoonah, Alaska.

2/5/21.

Rev. S. Hall Young, D.D.

Board of Home Missions

156 Fifth Ave. New York City.

My Dear Dr. Young:-

Some time before the war I wrote you in regard to magazines to be used in the fishing fleet of this section. I remember you put advertisements in several of the church papers and we received a great many papers and magazines that were greatly appreciated by the natives and fishermen. Every mail brought us numbers of them but when the men were drafted all such things were sent to the training camps. We have great plans for the work of the Lois this summer. Alaska is coming back and we are still on the job. We have calls all the time for reading matter, will it be possible to find some of the good friends that were so good to us before the Kaiser upset our plans. We want to make the Lois an asset of great value in the work of the Master this summer and good reading matter will be of great help. Conditions at Hoonah are encouraging, much more so I believe than usual. We feel the presence of the Holy Spirit working in the hearts of the people. A certain breaking away from the old things that have not been evident before. Our people are beginning to feel that they should be willing to give to others in need and though they have not done much in that line they are willing to admit that they should, which they have not been willing to admit before. With kindest regards to all I remain

Most cordially yours

Geo J Beck

February 10, 1921.

Rev. George J. Beck,

Hoonah, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Beck:-

Your report on the "Lois" furnished such interesting reading that I sent it to Mr. Childs who gave the "Lois" to the Board. He returned it with hearty appreciation of the story as you have written it out and enclosed a check for one hundred dollars (\$100.) to be used in repairs upon the "Lois". I do not know whether he gained the impression that that ought to be sufficient to meet all needed repairs, or whether he simply wanted to contribute it towards the total expense that might be involved. The Presbytery, therefore, is at full liberty to use at least one hundred dollars (\$100.). Dr. Condit informs us that more than this sum will be needed. In that case, the Presbytery must needs work out the balance from the appropriation to be made to it next year. This appropriation will not be any larger than this year, and in all probability will be less. You will join with me in sincere regret when I tell you that Mr. Banks anticipates that the Board will end this year with a debt of something like \$730,000. If some legacies that have been turned into permanent account are transferred to the current expense account (which we are not yet certain the Board will do) the debt may be reduced to something over \$400,000., but even that sum is appalling.

Cordially yours,

The Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 156 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

REPORT OF MISSIONARY FOR QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST

Please forward this report to the Secretary promptly after the date mentioned

Name of Missionary

Name of Presbytery

P. O. Address

STATISTICAL REPORT

In the *Statistical Report*, under "Names of Churches and Stations," please write the name of each preaching place, following each in the spaces on the same line with information as to the quarter's work.

NAMES OF CHURCHES AND STATIONS	PREACHING SERVICES				OTHER SERVICES				MONTHLY MEETINGS FOR MISSIONARY STUDY AND PRAYER	Number of Pastoral Calls	MEMBERS RECEIVED		BAPTISMS	
	SABBATH		MID-WEEK		SABBATH		MID-WEEK				On Ex.	On Cer.	Adult	Infant
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Hoonah Presbytery	2	110	1	5	1	100			all the World	1000	3		1	6
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GENERAL REPORT

In the *General Report*, please give some details of the various departments of the work, with its trials and encouragements, and any facts or incidents that will inform the Board as to the field, or interest the Home Mission givers throughout the Church at large. Both sides of this sheet may be used.

March 30, 1921.

To the Native Church of Hoonah.

Our very dear Friends,

It is now almost forty years since your mission and church were established under our care. We have watched your growth in Christian life and civilization with very great interest. We thank God that your people have come out of heathen darkness into the light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We are proud of you and we believe that you are ready to go on to greater things in the future.

You have done so well that we believe the time has come for you to take another step in advance and that is to do something towards supporting your own church.

This Mission Board, which has supported you for forty years, has been enlarging its work all over the United States and has been increasing the amount of money given for Home Missions every year. So many millions of people demand our help that our Board finds itself facing the greatest debt of its history. We are calling upon our children everywhere in all mission churches to help us more than they have ever done before in order that the Gospel may still be preached everywhere and sinners may be converted to God.

Heretofore the Indian Churches of Alaska have been the only ones of all the Indian churches who have given little or nothing to help themselves. We are now asking you to make an effort to progress towards self-support. We ask from your church, during the coming year, from March 1st, the sum of \$ 200.00. This will be an average of \$2.00 for each member during the year, or \$.04 per week. Some of you can raise more than this, while others may find it hard to raise as much. The strong must help the weak. Many of the Indian women can make a basket or weave a rug, which will pay their dues. The men can give their wages for a few days without any serious loss to themselves.

Read Malachi, third chapter and tenth verse, which preached God's command to us; we are happy and prosperous only when we obey His commands.

Other Indian tribes in other parts of the United States have been very generous in their efforts towards paying for the Gospel preached among them. Among the Nez Percés in Idaho their five churches pay all but from \$100 to \$140 each for the support of the Gospel among them. In Dakota and Wyoming, the Sioux and other Indians are doing the same thing. These missions are happy and those that give most are the happiest.

When your first began to come to the Light, you were as babies, new born, weak and ignorant and unable to help yourselves. Now you are getting to be men and women and preparing to be Christian citizens of the United States. We are giving you a chance now to show your strength. The Russian and Catholic missions of Alaska have always required regular tithes from their people and the natives have gladly paid these tithes. We do not want the Presbyterian Churches to be behind them.

We hope to hear from your missionary that you have answered this request by all heartily saying, "Yes, we will". With a prayer for God's richest blessings upon you, we are as always,

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GENERAL SECRETARY

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Missionary in Charge, Rev. E. E. Bromley P. O. Address Bayview (Klawock)

Amount of aid asked from the Board for the minister, \$ 1600.⁰⁰ From what date April 1st No. of months 12

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Bayview (Klawock)

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Bayview, Alaska

April 20, ;20

Dear Dr. Dixon=

Before Dr. Condit left Alaska for the East I wrote to him stating that the engine on the Mission boat Tornado was worn out and that I would have to have another engine if I am going to be able to visit the canneries and fishing grounds this summer. I also brought my needs before the Home Mission Com. at our meeting of Presbytery just closed. And the Board will have word about the need of a new engine for my boat. ^{from Mr. Wasieleski} It is impossible for me to do my work without a boat. I have an opportunity to get a good second hand engine for only eight hundred dollars if I can act at once. This is an engine that can be used in the Tornado and then placed in a new boat that will have to replace the Tornado soon. If the Board can make a grant of eight hundred dollars at once it will enable me to meet the emergency that has arisen in my work and will also be a saving later on. I must have my boat in good repair not later than the first of June.

Sincerely,

Missionary

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June 3, 1920.

Rev. E. E. Bromley,

Bayview, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Bromley:-

The Executive Council at its meeting yesterday took up the question of putting the "Tornado" in commission. It is to be regretted that the matter was not in the hands of the Presbytery or its Home Mission Committee in time to be forwarded when the annual budget was submitted to the Board. It is impossible now for financial reasons to make a grant so that the "Tornado" might be available for work this year. We shall hope to take up the question anew and reach a favorable decision in ample time for the needed repairs to be made on the boat so that it may be ready for use next spring. Please do not consider this a promise on the part of the Board; simply a good intention.

And with best wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

JD/I.

JUL 21 1920

The Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 156 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

REPORT OF MISSIONARY FOR QUARTER ENDING JUNE 30TH

Please forward this report to the Secretary promptly after the date mentioned.

Name of Missionary *E. E. Bromley*Name of Presbytery *Alaska*

P. O. Address

*Bayview
Alaska*

STATISTICAL REPORT

In the *Statistical Report*, under "Names of Churches and Stations," please write the name of each preaching place, following each in the spaces on the same line with information as to the quarter's work.

NAMES OF CHURCHES AND STATIONS	PREACHING SERVICES				OTHER SERVICES				MONTHLY MEETINGS FOR MISSIONARY STUDY AND PRAYER		Number of Pastoral Calls	MEMBERS RECEIVED		BAPTISMS	
	SABBATH		MID-WEEK		SABBATH		MID-WEEK		SUBJECTS	Ave. Att.		On Ex.	On Cer.	Adult	Infant
	No.	Ave. Att.	No.	Ave. Att.	No.	Ave. Att.	No.	Ave. Att.							
<i>Harvega Church</i>	28	38	9	8	12	12						2			1
<i>Craig station</i>	8	28					2	70							
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GENERAL REPORT

In the *General Report*, please give some details of the various departments of the work, with its trials and encouragements, and any facts or incidents that will inform the Board as to the field, or interest the Home Mission givers throughout the Church at large. Both sides of this sheet may be used.

In connection with my quarterly report I wish to refer to my request for money to buy a new engine for the Mission Boat 'Tornado'. I wish to explain that at the time I sent in the appropriation needed for my work I still hoped to use the Tornado without any request for money. But later I found that to make her fit for service in my cannery work it would be necessary to put her in the machine shop for an overhauling and the cost would be greater than I felt justified in recommending for an engine so old. And this is how it happened that I made a special request thru the Presbytery later. We will miss the service of our boat this summer. More of our people will be away from their homes than usual. This is due to unsettled labor conditions. The cannery here at Klawock has brought up more of their help from the states than usual and will employ scarcely any of our people in the cannery, and only a limited number of fishermen. The rest of our people are compelled to find work in the other canneries in the district ranging from twenty to eighty miles away.

I feel led to say something about a somewhat new spirit that seems to be influencing our people. I can describe it best by saying that the irreligious and non church going spirit that is so prevalent throughout the states seems to have reached our people. In the past the getting of the people to attend the church service has not been our problem. Since we came here if the people were in town they came to church. But the last few months there has been a change. We have always had a record attendance the last Sunday before the Fourth of

July when the people return from the trolling grounds to celebrate the Independence Day and then get ready to go to the canneries. But this year we had to do a lot of advertising and talking to get an average attendance. As far as I can see the personality of the present missionary has nothing to do with the change. It is just another problem presenting itself for solution.

August 2, 1920.

Rev. E. E. Bromley,

Bayview, Alaska.

My dear Brother:-

Your report for the quarter ending June thirtieth has been received. While I can not encourage you to hope for a favorable decision with regard to the new engine for the Tornado, inasmuch as the financial condition of the Board is such as to give us all great anxiety; nonetheless, I will present the matter again to the Executive Council and will make report. I need not assure you if the Council should decide that the request must be taken care of that it will be a great pleasure to me to send you the message.

I am sorry that in far-away Alaska the tendency of church-going people to restrict their attendance to the morning service is manifesting itself. The only thing for the minister is to be hopeful and cheerful and make the evening service if possible even more satisfying to the spiritual need of the people than the morning.

And with best wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

JD/I.

August 6, 1920.

Rev. Eugene E. Bromley,

Bayview, Alaska.

My dear Brother:-

I had an opportunity to present the matter of an engine for the mission boat "Tornado" to the Executive Council and, as I feared, the financial situation of the Board forbade any action at the present time. I was instructed, however, to suggest to you that this matter be presented to the Home Mission Committee and to the Superintendent in ample time before making up the budget for next year.

With sincere regrets and all good wishes, I am,

Very sincerely yours,

JD/I.

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The Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 156 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

REPORT OF MISSIONARY FOR QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 30TH

Please forward this report to the Secretary promptly after the date mentioned.

Name of Missionary *E. E. Bromley*

Name of Presbytery *Alaska*

P. O. Address *Bayview Alaska*

STATISTICAL REPORT

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	No.	Ave. Att.	No.	Ave. Att.	No.	Ave. Att.	No.	Ave. Att.						
Honga church	13	18	8	6	6	27								
Craig Station	7	32												

GENERAL REPORT

In the General Report, please give some details of the various departments of the work, with its trials and encouragements, and any facts or incidents that will inform the Board as to the field, or interest the Home Mission givers throughout the Church at large. Both sides of this sheet may be used.

As usual our people have been scattered during the summer and we are unable to get very many of them together at one place. As I could not use the Mission Boat "Tornado" for long trips to the canneries where my people were working I concentrated my efforts at Craig . Craig is a white settlement with some two hundred inhabitants during the winter and not so many during the summer unless the cannery located there is in operation. The past two seasons the cannery has not been operated. In the past it has been difficult to do much toward building up the interest in church work and Sunday School work This was due largely to the fact that the population has been constantly changing. But during the year some few people have

the first time since we have been here there has been some one to take charge of the Sunday School and keep it going every Sunday. The preaching services also have been well attended. . We are now holding services in the Public School house. There was some talk of attempting to build a church but on account of the poor fishing season it was impossible to begin anything of the kind. We hope however to see a church organization and a church building in Craig before very long.

JAN 24 1921

The Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 156 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

REPORT OF MISSIONARY FOR QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST

Please forward this report to the Secretary promptly after the date mentioned

Name of Missionary E. E. Bromley P. O. Address Bayview
Name of Presbytery Alaska Alaska

STATISTICAL REPORT

In the *Statistical Report*, under "Names of Churches and Stations," please write the name of each preaching place, following each in the spaces on the same line with information as to the quarter's work.

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	No.	Ave. Att.	No.	Ave. Att.	No.	Ave. Att.	No.	Ave. Att.						
<i>Kenaga d.</i>	13	92	15	23	15	54				40				4
<i>Craig Station</i>	6	84	2	84						36				

GENERAL REPORT

In the *General Report*, please give some details of the various departments of the work, with its trials and encouragements, and any facts or incidents that will inform the Board as to the field, or interest the Home Mission givers throughout the Church at large. **Both sides of this sheet may be used.**

The Quarter ending Dec. 31st was much the same as other years. This is the time we have our best opportunity to work with the people as there are more of them in the village. Our services have been well attended and a good spirit manifested. We held one Communion service and while there was no members received into the church it was a season of blessing to the people. We have spent some time and effort getting the young people of the church actively engaged. Through the organization of a church choir we had from eighteen to twenty five members in the choir each Sunday. They did excellent work both at Thanksgiving time and at Christmas. They sang so well that I got them to go with me to Craig, some six miles away where I hold services for the white people. They sang their Thanksgiving anthems in connection with a short program given by the Craig Sunday School.

The singing was so well enjoyed that we went over again with the Choir to sing the Christmas anthems. When you know the prejudice that exists among the white people in Alaska against the native people it should be considered a positive gain when we can unite the two races in a religious service with the native people taking a part that is a complete revelation to more than half of the white audience.

Mrs. Bronley has organized a Ladies Missionary Society which we hope will become a power for good in the church here.

FEB 17 1921 2/21/21

Bayview Alaska

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Dr. Dixon, 156 Fifth Ave. N.Y.

Dear Dr. Dixon:-

In the annual report called for this year to be sent to H.N. Morris we were requested to send on a separate page any special request setting forth the needs of our work. I sent in a request for an appropriation for the Mission Boat for this field. Last spring Presbytery indorsed the request for money to put the old boat "Tornado" in repair. Since that time I have had an opportunity to confer with Mr. Waggoner, Beck, and some of the other men and it was thought best to dispose of the old boat and get another boat that would be a permanent investment. At the present time I have an opportunity to purchase a second hand boat in excellent condition. In my report to H.N. Morris and also in writing to Dr. Condit I asked for an appropriation of fifteen hundred dollars. If it is possible I would ask the Board to give permission to make the purchase. Can you write me soon saying whether it is at all probable whether such permission can be granted. I feel that it is imperative that we should have a boat in which we can feel safe to make our trips. Hoping to hear from you soon I remain,

Sincerely,

E. E. Bromley

February 21, 1921.

Rev. E.E. Bromley,

Bayview, Alaska.

My dear Brother:-

Your favor of February the fifth concerning the "Tornado" has been received. I will see to it that it is fairly brought before the Executive Council when the budget for next year comes up for consideration. The Council begins its study on March eighth and will not complete it before March twentyfourth when the Board meets to act.

It may not be improper for me to say that the financial outlook of the Board of Home Missions never was darker than it is today. Perhaps the old proverb may have application,- "That it is darkest just before day". In any event, the Board is over \$800,000. in debt at this writing. We are hoping that this may be reduced to something like \$400,000. by the thirty-first of March, but even with this amount of indebtedness and the further fact that the Executive Commission has practically cut the budget in two for the next year, it is reasonably certain that every part of the Board's work must suffer reduction. Put in the "Tornado" and put it in as strongly as you wish to the Home Mission Committee. When we receive their estimate, be assured that every item will receive as favorable consideration as possible.

Cordially yours,

JD/1.

Haines Alaska (C. G. Denton)

APPLICATION FOR AID

TO THE

Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

156 Fifth Avenue, New York

RULES OF THE BOARD

Every church should, by a systematic and self-denying effort, or by union with one or more neighboring churches, endeavor to support itself before seeking aid of the Board of Home Missions, and when it becomes evident that aid must be received, the smallest amount needed should be asked.

It is required of every church before seeking aid that there be a thorough every-member canvass of the congregation for pledges towards the pastor's support. The Board expects that the minimum contribution shall not be less than ten cents a week per member.

It is also required that the minister live on his field and devote his whole time to the work for which he is commissioned by the Board, and be engaged in no other calling or business.

Application from churches asking aid should be sent to the Presbytery, or its Home Mission Committee and received by the Board as near the date of the minister's beginning his work as possible. No grant is made to a church for ministerial supply in the interval between the resignation of one pastor and the calling of another.

When aid is granted to any church, it is done on the condition that it shall make at least an annual offering for all the Boards; **also, that due notice be given to the Board and Home Mission Committee of Presbytery, by the minister, if the field is to be vacated before the expiration of his commission.**

All applications must be renewed before a new grant can be made. **In seeking renewals all the blanks in the form prepared should be filled, and every item of information necessary to the complete understanding of the case be furnished the Board.** Facts stated in former applications can not be accepted as satisfactory for the renewal.

By direction of the General Assembly, every application must be approved and forwarded (a) by the Presbytery to which the church belongs, or (b) by the Presbytery's Committee on Home Missions. The recommendation of missionaries and the amount of aid must be determined by ballot.

(FILL EVERY BLANK)

SYNOD of Washington

PRESBYTERY of Alaska

Missionary District of Haines including the Presbyterian churches of

and the out-stations of

Missionary in Charge, Rev. C. G. Denton P. O. Address Haines

Amount of aid asked from the Board for the minister, \$ 16⁰⁰ From what date? April^{1st} No. of months 12

HELPERS	P. O. Address	Amount of Aid Asked from Board	No. of Months	From What Date?	Total Salary
(1) <u>Paddy Ganeth (native)</u>	<u>Haines</u>	\$ <u>16⁰⁰</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>April 1</u>	\$ <u>16⁰⁰</u>
(2) <u>John Jackson (native)</u>	<u>Haines</u>	\$			\$
(3)		\$			\$
(4)		\$			\$
(5)		\$			\$
(6)		\$			\$

Have the congregations been thoroughly and systematically canvassed for pledges for salaries and other expenses? yes

The pledges for salaries amount to \$ _____; for rents and travel \$ _____; for current expenses \$ _____

The amount paid last year for salaries was \$ _____; for rents and travel \$ _____; for current expenses \$ 90⁰⁰

Are there any church edifices in your district? yes If so how many and where located? one (Presbyterian)

Are there any manses in your district? yes If so how many and where located? Haines

Rent per month \$ _____ Paid by whom? _____

Population of your district 300 Principal business Fishing. Agriculture

The other denominations represented in the district, with their respective memberships, are as follows: _____

none

The foregoing application of the natives + white Church of

Haines, Alaska

is hereby approved

by the Presbytery of Alaska and its Home Mission Committee for \$ 1600⁰⁰

from April 1 1920 to March 31 1921

Geo. C. Bruce

Chairman of Committee

April 15, 1920

REMARKS BY THE HOME MISSION COMMITTEE

Application by churches for aid from the Board, requests for application blanks, and all correspondence pertaining to grants, should be addressed to Board of Home Missions, 156 Fifth Ave.

May 6, 1920.

Rev. Claude G. Denton,

Haines, Alaska.

My dear Brother:-

The Board has been convinced for a long time that it was important that the Indians should have practical training in the Scriptural duty of supporting their pastors up to the measure of their ability. It has been voted to begin this training this year. Provision has been made so that you are assured of your full salary, viz.: \$1,600., but it is desired that you should give suitable and sufficient instruction to your people concerning this duty and then arrange for a thorough, every-member canvass to secure the largest reasonable sum for this object. The sum pledged should be paid to a local treasurer and by him paid to you. In sending to our treasury your usual monthly voucher, please report the amount received by you from your local treasurer so that the proper reduction may be made here.

The officers of the Board are not unmindful of the fact that you may approach this duty with some hesitancy, but our prayer is that you may be guided from above both in spirit and method of performance and that you may have both joy and success.

Vouchers for the current year will be forwarded to you by the Treasurer's office. Report blanks for the year are enclosed herewith, one set to be sent to the Board and a duplicate copy to Dr. Condit, General Missionary for Alaska.

And with all good wishes, I am,

Enclosures-
JD/I.

Cordially yours,

AUG 2 - 1920

The Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 156 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

REPORT OF MISSIONARY FOR QUARTER ENDING JUNE 30TH

1920

Please forward this report to the Secretary promptly after the date mentioned.

Name of Missionary C. H. WintonName of Presbytery Alaska.

P. O. Address

Haines
Alaska

STATISTICAL REPORT

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Haines Mission	2	40	1	20							30	1			2
S Schools					2	35									
Prayer Meeting							1	20							

GENERAL REPORT

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During the last quarter we have spent the first Sunday in each month supplying the church at Skagway. Mrs Winton conducted the services for natives at Haines during our absence.

One of the best services held during the last quarter was a childrens day service for white children. The church was filled by people of the community at this service, Jews, Catholics and non-going people indifferent to the church but not a single Presbyterian in the crowd but some in the making we trust.

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C. G. DENTON
Minister
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Haines, Alaska

Aug. 10th 1920.

Dr John Dixon.

156 Fifth Ave. New York.

Dear Dr. Dixon:

Mr Bruce of Juneau is planning on a vacation to the states for three months and desires to have me look after the work while he is gone . I spent two Sundays in April with him on my way to preskytery and he is doing a splendid work in Juneau. I should judge it to be the most important church in Alaska in influence and finances. It would be a calamity to leave this church without supervision and yet I am perplexed as to my course of action as both fields need men on them. Of course if one of the fields must be left without a supply I presume Haines had better suffer tho I feel the work here to be very important .

I am willing with the sanction of the Board to do as follows:

1. Take my family and go to Juneau and give my whole attention to the work there.
2. Leave Mrs. Denton at Haines to look after the native service as best she can while I look after the work at Juneau.
3. Supply the church at Juneau for a few Sundays until the return of Dr Condit to Juneau when he may be able to care for the work ar arrange for its supervision.

Sincerely,

C. G. Denton

August 13, 1929.

Rev. Claude S. Denton,
Haines,
Alaska.

My dear Mr. Denton:

As you probably know the Rev. George G. Bruce of Juneau is about to go upon his vacation. He writes us that it is arranged that you should take charge of the Juneau church during his absence. This meets with the cordial approval of the Board. It is proper that your necessary travelling expenses of yourself and family from Haines to Juneau and return should be paid. If the Juneau church is unable to do this, then the Board of Home Missions must provide for it.

Please secure, with the approval of the Home Mission Committee, the best helper you can to carry on your work at Haines while you are taking charge of the church at Juneau. We will expect the Home Mission Committee to arrange for whatever additional expense is involved in securing some one for Haines, which the Board would be expected to pay out of its Alaskan budget.

Thanking you heartily for your willingness to take this service and hoping that you may be very happy, as well as abundantly blessed in it, I am

Cordially yours,

JD:3

August 23, 1920.

Rev. C. G. Denton,
Haines,
Alaska.

My dear Mr. Denton:

Yours of August 10th received. Probably by this time you have my recent letter to you regarding the same matter as you now write me about.

The Board is desirous that you should take care of the church at Juneau during the absence of Mr. Bruce or until Dr. Condit and you can come to some other and more agreeable arrangement. The Board will pay the necessary travelling expenses of yourself and family from Haines to Juneau and return unless the church at Juneau should undertake to meet this expense, which we hope they will agree to do.

Now, whether it is better to leave Mrs. Denton at Haines and you to look after the work at Juneau until Dr. Condit returns, you are in a much better position than we are to determine. Your judgment will be accepted by the Board.

During your absence from Haines it will be necessary to appoint some one of the Indians to look after the work as best he can. Please make any arrangement you find necessary and after conferring with the Home Mission Committee, report to the Board how much ought to be paid him.

Assuring you of our grateful appreciation of your willingness to help out Mr. Bruce, I am, with all good wishes,

Cordially yours,

JD:ES

DEC 13 1920

C. G. DENTON
Minister
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
Haines, Alaska

Dear Dr.. Dixon ;

As to the work at Kluckwan.. I made a trip to Kluckwan shortly before coming to Juneau and spent one Sabbath there.. We held services in the mission and had about forty fine native Indians at the services.. The board has some good property here that needs looking after and it is to be hoped that some plan can be formulated by which this point can be given some supervision..

As to the work at Skagway.. We spent one Sabbath each month on this field during the absence of Mr Winterberger.. The people kindly met my traveling expenses so that there was no additional expense to the board.. We had some very fine congregations at the evening services largely made up of tourists on their way to Whitehorse.. There are also some very substantial people in Skagway members of this congregation which is the only protestant church in the entire city..

As to the work at Juneau.. Last Sabbath we had the joy of ordaning and setting apart to the work of the eldership in the Northern Light Presbyterian Church Mr M.B. Summers who is at the head of the government weather bureau for Alaska.. He will make a substanz~~xt~~ktial addition to the eldership.. Mr Bruce has done an excellent work in this field and has built up the largest Sunday school in the territory.. We are simply fitting in here in an emergency and I have urged Mr Bruce to be back here at his work by the first of the year.. We should like to spend a little time at the work at Haines where we hope to be January first..

(C. G. Denton)

December 21, 1920.

Rev. Claude G. Denton,

Haines, Alaska.

My dear Brother:-

It gives me pleasure to inform you that the Board voted the sum of fiftyfour dollars (\$54.00) or so much of it as may be necessary, to meet your expenses in supplying the Juneau church during the absence of Dr. Bruce provided the Juneau church finds itself unable to provide for this expenditure. In short, you must not pay it and after you are satisfied as to how much the Juneau church will not subscribe towards it, you will be at liberty to send in a voucher to the Board for the amount due you.

Wishing you the compliments of the season, I am,

Cordially yours,

JD/I.

JAN 20 1921

The Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 156 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

REPORT OF MISSIONARY FOR QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST

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Name of Missionary C. G. Denton

Name of Presbytery Alaska

P. O. Address { Haines

{ Alaska

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	No.	Ave. Att.	No.	Ave. Att.	No.	Ave. Att.	No.	Ave. Att.							
Haines	2	40	1	20	2	30					20	2		2	4

GENERAL REPORT

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During

During the last quarter (October, November, December) we supplied the Northern Light Presbyterian Church of Juneau during the absence of Dr Bruce to the states. The work at Haines was left in charge of a Native worker Mr Wells while the white Sunday School was looked after by Mr and Mrs Grey the teachers in the white school. Mr Grey also planned a Sunday evening service several times during my absence which was well received and appreciated by the people. I appreciate very much the work that the Native worker Mr Wells did and also the excellent help which we had from the public school teachers Mr and Mrs Grey.

March 29, 1921.

Rev. E. E. Bromley,
Bayview,
Alaska.

My dear Mr. Bromley,

I am enclosing a letter to your native people which will largely explain itself. We have worked very earnestly for the Alaska schedule, but have been compelled to cut ruthlessly on our budget for next year.

You will remember that two years ago we asked the ministers in charge of native missions in Alaska to each require from their people \$100 towards their salary. In most cases the missionaries failed to put this through. In all of our other Indian Missions without exception among the Sioux, Nez Perces, Navajos, etc., in every case, these Indian Missions are progressing towards self-support.

We are trying to make it as easy as possible for all of you, and have asked Dr. Condit to go to the missions and explain this matter to the Indians so that it will not come from the pastors, but from headquarters. The first three months of the year, your salaries will be sent to you entirely from the Board, but for the other nine months, we hope that the natives will come up cheerfully to the plan herewith presented. Something similar to an every-member canvass ought to be made in all Presbyterian Churches, the Indians not excepted. This we wish you to understand, however,—that you must receive the full amount of your salary. \$1400 will be granted you from the Board and the other \$200 must come from the Indians themselves. This plan goes with the full authority of the Board.

Very cordially yours,

GENERAL SECRETARY.

COPIES SENT TO:—

SHY:JD

Rev. Fitzgerald - Valdez

Rev. Robert L. Buchanan - Sitka

" Waggoner - Juneau

Presby. Church at Hydaburg

" Denton - Haines

Rev. R. J. Diven - Wrangell

" Beck - Hoonah

March 29, 1921.

To the Native Church of Bayview:-

Our very dear Friends,

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GENERAL SECRETARY.

SNY:JD

APR 30 1920

APPLICATION FOR AID

TO THE

Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

156 Fifth Avenue, New York

RULES OF THE BOARD

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All applications must be renewed before a new grant can be made. **In seeking renewals all the blanks in the form prepared should be filled, and every item of information necessary to the complete understanding of the case be furnished the Board.** Facts stated in former applications can not be accepted as satisfactory for the renewal.

By direction of the General Assembly, every application must be approved and forwarded (a) by the Presbytery to which the church belongs, or (b) by the Presbytery's Committee on Home Missions. The recommendation of missionaries and the amount of aid must be determined by ballot.

The foregoing application of the native Church of _____

Ketchikan and outstations is hereby approved

by the Presbytery of Alaska and its Home Mission Committee for \$1600.00

from April 1 1920 to March 31, 1921

Geo E Bruce Chairman of Committee

April 15, 1920

REMARKS BY THE HOME MISSION COMMITTEE

Application by churches for aid from the Board, requests for application blanks, and all correspondence pertaining to grants, should be addressed to Board of Home Missions, 156 Fifth Ave.

May 6, 1920.

Rev. F. R. Falconer,

Ketchikan, Alaska.

My dear Brother:-

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The officers of the Board are not unmindful of the fact that you may approach this duty with some hesitancy, but our prayer is that you may be guided from above both in spirit and method of performance and that you may have both joy and success.

Vouchers for the current year will be forwarded to you by the Treasurer's office. Report blanks for the year are enclosed herewith, one set to be sent to the Board and a duplicate copy to Dr. Condit, General Missionary for Alaska.

And with all good wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

Enclosures-

JD/I.

Presbyterian Mission

REV. F. R. FALCONER, MISSIONARY
P. O. BOX 215

Ketchikan, Alaska,

Jan. 11 1921
John

D. Young
D. Dixon

Dear Mr. Dixon:

Please find enclosed my report for the quarter just ended.

I fear our contributions to the work of the Boards will fall behind this year, due in part to the exceptionally poor fishing last season, many of the people closing the season in debt, and in part to extra expenses on the field. Besides the \$140.00 expended on the building at Kasman we were obliged to put new piles under the mission here at a cost of \$150.00, this in addition to the normal running expenses of the work.

There are people in Kasman who have absolutely no money this winter. With best wishes for the New Year, I am,

Sincerely, F. R. Falconer.

The Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 156 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

REPORT OF MISSIONARY FOR QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST

Please forward this report to the Secretary promptly after the date mentioned

Name of Missionary J. R. Stationer P. O. Address Ketchikan, Alaska
 Name of Presbytery Pres. of Alaska Box 215

STATISTICAL REPORT

In the *Statistical Report*, under "Names of Churches and Stations," please write the name of each preaching place, following each in the spaces on the same line with information as to the quarter's work.

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	No.	Ave. Att.	No.	Ave. Att.	No.	Ave. Att.	No.	Ave. Att.	SUBJECTS	Ave. Att.						
Ketchikan	2	40	1	25							No record for this quarter				2	
Kasaan	2	60	1	40	1	20										1
Saxman	2	80														

GENERAL REPORT

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The work in general is in a thriving condition, though of a rather uncertain quantity as far as attendance at the Ketchikan services is concerned. While the average attendance is given as forty it actually varies between six and sixty according to the fluctuating interests, and movements of the people from place to place.

There is a marked improvement in the spiritual life of the Indians who make Ketchikan their main stopping place; and as a result of this there is naturally a marked decrease in the quantity of, so called, cider consumed. Drunken Indians are not seen on our streets any more.

We made regular monthly trips to Kasaan during the quarter as usual. Some good is being done there but it seems very hard to accomplish what we would like, or what should be done for the Kasaan people. Five or six days a month, with nothing between times, is not enough for a community of over 100 Indians, besides the whites who are there throughout the winter. The Kasaan problem is one which needs more attention, and must be met sooner or later. The people are kind; are always glad to see us; and attend the services well. The singing there is better than at any of our other services.

The work at Saxman has made greater progress than that on either of the other stations under our care. The difference in the people there now, as compared with fourteen months ago, is like the difference between day and night.

Whereas drinking was common in the days past, I doubt if liquor has been seen in Saxman this winter. Even "Harry" an exconvict, whom I have seen drunk on the streets of Ketchikan more than once, is now "Clothed and in his right mind," and sitting among the people of God in His house. We make regular trips to Saxman, three Sundays a month when not away on other trips. We hold a morning and afternoon service returning to Ketchikan in time for evening service. In the evening the people hold a service themselves in the Church. During the week the Salvation Army, under native leadership, holds two services in their own hall. Early in ^{the} quarter the Indians, under their own initiative, raised \$140.00 for the repair of the Church building which had not been in use for a number of years. The roof was shingled and other necessary repairs made. The men joined together in performing the labor while the women served "Community meals."

The Church was beautifully decorated for Christmas. A good program was prepared under native leadership, in fact the whole Christmas doings were carried on under native management and were a credit to the people.

As I have said, there is a great change at Saxman. The people are taking hold of the work well. We feel greatly encouraged, and go forward into the New Year with brighter hopes for the future, not only of Saxman, but of the other stations as well.

February 23, 1921.

Rev. F. R. Falconer,

Ketchikan, Alaska.

My dear Brother:-

Mr. Winterberger was kind enough to send to us a copy of the article that appeared in the Ketchikan paper concerning Saxman and your work there. It was very thoughtful of him to send it. I have read every part of it with heartiest appreciation of the fine work which you have done there. You have our earnest prayers for great happiness in this service as well as increasing success.

Just let me make a brief quotation from Mr. Winterberger's letter:- "He is one of the finest men in Alaska. He has the finest family a man ever met, seven children. It is a joy to be able to say this word of one of such sterling worth."

Cordially yours,

JD/I.

March 28, 1921

To the Native Churches of Kasaan, Ketchikan, and Saxman:-

It is now almost forty years since your mission and church were established under our care. We have watched your growth in the Christian life and civilization with very great interest. We thank God that your people have come out of heathen darkness into the light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We are proud of you and we believe that you are ready to go on to greater things in the future.

You have done so well that we believe the time has come for you to take another step in advance and that is to do something towards supporting your own Church.

This Mission Board, which has supported you for forty years, has been enlarging its work all over the United States and has been increasing the amount of money given for Bible Missions every year. So many millions of people demand our help that our Board finds itself facing the greatest debt of its history. We are calling upon our children everywhere in all mission churches to help us more than they have ever done before in order that the Gospel may still be preached everywhere and sinners may be converted to God.

Heretofore the Indian Churches of Alaska have been the only ones of all the Indian Churches who have given little or nothing to help themselves. We are now asking you to make an effort to progress towards self-support. We ask from the three churches under Mr. Falconer's care, during the coming year from March 1st, the sum of \$200.00. This will be an average of \$1.00 for each member during the year, or \$.02 a week. Some of you can raise more than this, while others may find it hard to raise as much. The strong must help the weak. Many of the Indian women can make a basket or weave a rug, which will pay their dues. The men can give their wages for a few days without any serious loss to themselves.

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We hope to hear from your missionaries that you have answered this request by all heartily saying, "Yes, we will." With a prayer for God's richest blessings upon you, we are as always,

Your friends in Christ,

GENERAL SECRETARY.

SPY:JD

March 29, 1921.

Rev. F. R. Falconer,
Ketchikan,
Alaska.

My dear Mr. Falconer,

I am sending to you a letter, the like of which goes to every missionary in Alaska in charge of an active church. You will remember that we tried to put over something like this two years ago, but the missionaries did not respond. With the great reduction that we have been compelled to make in our budget for the coming year, it has become a necessity to cut out many items entirely, to leave vacant many churches, that are now vacant, and to require from the native churches as well as the white churches all that they can possibly do towards self-support.

We have made the matter as easy as possible for you and as the total membership of your three church aggregates more than 200, your people will have less to pay per member than any other of the native missions, unless it is Metlakatla. Your people will certainly be able to give \$1.00 per year or \$.02 a week.

In order to show the Indians that this does not come from you, Dr. Condit has been asked to go to the Indian missions and put this plan across. Read the letter to your people and make them understand it perfectly, and Dr. Condit will help you make the canvass.

Your salary will be paid in full by the Board for the first three months, but for the other nine months, the natives will have to furnish at the rate of \$200 a year. This ought to be easy to collect from your people.

Anything more than this amount which your people may be able to raise can be applied as they see fit, towards improvements or as a contribution to the Board of Home Missions. Let your people act according to their own methods. They have the shining example of the Metlakatla Indians before them and I do not think they will object to this small assessment.

Most cordially yours,

GENERAL SECRETARY.

SHY:JD

MAY 6 - 1921

The Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 156 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

REPORT OF MISSIONARY FOR QUARTER ENDING MARCH 31ST 1921.

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Name of Missionary Rev. F. R. Falconer

Ketchikan, Alaska.

Name of Presbytery of Alaska

P. O. Address

Box 215

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The work on all the stations reached from Ketchikan shows progress as the result of the efforts put forth during the past quarter.

At Ketchikan the services have been kept going regularly during the quarter of the missionary at his other appointments. In this we have used the natives as much as possible, thus relieving Mrs. Falconer of a responsibility which, at times, is too much for her, with her home duties.

The two mid-week preaching services were not continued to the end of the quarter because the Salvation Army has opened meetings on the same nights we were using, and for the same people we were trying to reach. We thought it unnecessary to thus double up.* The other two mid-week services were opened for special prayer for God's blessing on all of His work in this community, white and native, that souls might be saved. As many as thirty natives would gather for an hour in prayer during the weeks these meetings were continued; prayer being offered for the ungodly whites as well as for natives and other nationalities in Ketchikan. And God was present to bless.

The Three new members, added to the Saxman church, were people who live in Ketchikan and were received into membership here.

During the quarter we celebrated the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper. The service was well attended, and about twenty four received the communion with gratitude to God for His many mercies.

During the winter, until the people left the village toward the end of February, regular trips were made to Saxman every Sunday, when not at Kasaan. The work at Saxman has made good progress during the quarter. The meetings are always well attended and the interest is always good. Agassboat is always sent up for me, bringing me back in the evening in time

* We have prayer meeting on Tuesday evening.
Discontinued the Friday evening meeting.

for the service here.

Besides our own two services at Saksan the Salvation Army, under native leadership, have a meeting at which they sometimes ask me to give the lesson. As you can readily see, Sunday at Saksan is a busy day with barely time to eat between services. The people are in the village for a few months only, during the winter, so we try to make the most of our opportunities while we have them. We will make another appeal for a school at Saksan for next winter, so badly needed, and if successful, the people will remain in their homes much longer, or will at least leave the women and children at home while the men go off trapping and fishing.

Three trips were made to Kasaan during the quarter.

In February we took with us Elder George McKay, of the Saksan church. We were gone nine days, held nine meetings, elected, ordained and installed two elders, baptised three children, celebrated the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper with about twenty communicants, and organized a Y.P.S.C.F. of thirty members. It was a busy week, well worth the time and the extra expense, which was borne by the missionary himself.

As the result of the unusually poor fishing season last year the Kasaan people have experienced the hardest time in getting enough to eat during the past winter that they have had in many years. Some of them had nothing and lived off their friends most of the time. Some did not have enough to eat. One family, where the husband was sick, with three young children to feed and clothe, was given financial assistance.

The Supt. of Territorial Schools told me at Juneau this month that, in all probability, the Kasaan school would be discontinued at the close of this term as the Territory is short of funds, and that the school should be under the Bureau of Education anyway. If this school is closed it will work a great injury to the Kasaan people. As I have said before, the English language is more commonly used in the Kasaan village than in any other village I know of. The people make use of what they learn. There is a splendid opportunity at Kasaan for a missionary whose wife could be given the position of school teacher. We will pray for such a combination that it may be forthcoming in due time.

The Bureau of Education, having charge of the native schools in Alaska, closed the school at Kasaan a number of years ago when Hydaburg was founded. They thought the Kasaan people, who are of the same tribe, could be persuaded to move to Hydaburg, thus uniting in one village, all who speak the Hyda language. The idea did not work out as they had hoped. Very few of the Kasaan ^{people} moved.

The Kasaan cannery will not operate this season. The people are now out trolling.

J. R. Falconer.

APPLICATION FOR AID

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(FILL EVERY BLANK)

SYNOD of Washington
PRESBYTERY of Alaska

Missionary District of Kake, Alaska including the Presbyterian churches of

and the out-stations of surrounding Canneries
(at least six)

Missionary in Charge, Rev. J. Joseph Fitzgerald P. O. Address Kake, Alaska

Amount of aid asked from the Board for the minister, \$1600⁰⁰ From what date? April No. of months 12

HELPERS	P. O. Address	Amount of Aid Asked from Board	No. of Months	From What Date?	Total Salary
(1)		\$			\$
(2)		\$			\$
(3)		\$			\$
(4)		\$			\$
(5)		\$			\$
(6)		\$			\$

Have the congregations been thoroughly and systematically canvassed for pledges for salaries and other expenses?

no but every effort is being made to get the native people to begin to support the work
The pledges for salaries amount to \$—; for rents and travel \$—; for current expenses \$—

The amount paid last year for salaries was \$455⁰⁰; for rents and travel \$—; for current expenses \$225⁰⁰

Are there any church edifices in your district? one If so how many and where located? Central

Are there any manses in your district? yes If so how many and where located? one (Central)

Rent per month \$— Paid by whom? —

Population of your district 300 Principal business fishing

The other denominations represented in the district, with their respective memberships, are as follows:

Sal. Army about 25

The foregoing application of the Native Church of Nake and outstations is hereby approved
by the Presbytery of Alaska and its Home Mission Committee for \$
from April 1, 1920 to March 31, 1921
Geo G Bruce Chairman of Committee
April 15, 1920

REMARKS BY THE HOME MISSION COMMITTEE

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Enclosures-

JD/I.

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The Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 156 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

REPORT OF MISSIONARY FOR QUARTER ENDING SEPTEMBER 30TH

*Delivered
Nov 18*

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Please forward this report to the Secretary promptly after the date mentioned.

Name of Missionary

Name of Presbytery

P. O. Address

Alaska

Alaska

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*Long Island Sound
The people of the
of the people work for the nearest
which is about a mile from Lake
During this quarter the U. S. Government
has granted a lot of money to the
agency. In addition with this aid two
substantial bridges have been built*

that the work will be the means
of doing away with the unrightly and
unwarranted feeling of being
It will be a problem for those who work
of the way, by carrying the line in town.
Whether the natives will do this or not,
Will come to a test next summer?
If many of the families be remain in
town all, it will mean more for the
regularity and stability of our Christian
mission.

The first part of the summer a serious building
has been seen, and on a building project
initiated by the Board.
The building is small and not suited - for
the summer season.
The first building has been having for
many months the board seems to be
now to build a new one. It might be money
which is to be put up a building that
will be used where we up to date welfare
program could be carried out.
Even though the natives should all live in
town, the room plenty of time in, perhaps
the houses will all be at the ceremony during the
listening season.

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The Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 156 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

REPORT OF MISSIONARY FOR QUARTER ENDING DECEMBER 31ST

Please forward this report to the Secretary promptly after the date mentioned

Name of Missionary

J. K. Keesee

Name of Presbytery

Alaska

P. O. Address

Stake
Alaska

STATISTICAL REPORT

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GENERAL REPORT

In the *General Report*, please give some details of the various departments of the work, with its trials and encouragements, and any facts or incidents that will inform the Board as to the field, or interest the Home Mission givers throughout the Church at large. **Both sides of this sheet may be used.**

Nothing has interfered during these three months with the regular services — our other years were not so fortunate — first the influenza and the next year small pox.

The past year was a poor one from the fisherman's point of view but we have collected more money than during any previous three months.

For the running expenses of the church light & heat etc \$23.60 was collected, \$14.00 was collected for the Board of Publication, \$16.00 for the Board of Foreign Missions, and

\$92' for the running of our Sunday school and \$14.00 was paid to the interpreter. This makes a total of \$106.21

It has been our object to prepare, during these three months, for the gathering on the first Sunday of the new year. So we had nine people, (three of whom joined the Church in October) ready to unite with the Church, the first Sunday in January. Since the Organization of the Church in 1912, one hundred and one people have united with the Church - thirty seven have become members since January 6, 1918.

It is difficult to tell of the prospects for the coming year - The fishing industry is at a standstill - and

We hear that the cannery here will not operate this coming season, as this is the only industry worth mentioning, if it is idle, it will mean a great set back to our work.

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The Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 156 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

REPORT OF MISSIONARY FOR QUARTER ENDING ~~JUNE 30, 1921~~ March 31, 21

Please forward this report to the Secretary promptly after the date mentioned.

Name of Missionary

J. Grace Fitzgerald

Name of Presbytery

Alaska

P. O. Address

Kake
Alaska

STATISTICAL REPORT

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GENERAL REPORT

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Because of the poor fishing season last year and no probability of work this coming season the population of Kake has not been steady this quarter. Services have been regularly held but the attendance has dropped about one half of what it was last year. The fishing industry being at a stand still, the natives are living in their different camps where the necessities of life are not so many and more easily obtained. When they stay in camp for a long time the influences for civilization are lost and a new

that help be made. It looks now
that outside help will have to be called
for in some cases next winter.

During the quarter \$69⁰⁰ was raised for
the missionary's salary. This came through
the white people here. \$10⁰⁰ was sent as
an offering to the Home Board. About \$12⁰⁰
came from the natives.

When we came upon the field in 1917 it
was stated that the church would be self supporting
in five years. ~~Next~~ Unless there is some-
thing radically wrong. Next winter will make
the fifth year and we are very little a head of
conditions when we came. The missionary feels
that the work is still in the beginning - only a few
small chips have been chipped from the solid granite
of heathenism. Conditions may be somewhat
better in other native churches but none can
boast of any great advance. In my mind the
church has its hardest work - to get results - among
the natives of Alaska - The writer is not dis-
couraged - far from it - but there seem to be
indisputable facts.

Two funerals were conducted this year when there were
no things placed in the grave with the bodies. usually
something to eat and articles of different kind are so placed.
This gives us some great encouragement.

August 3, 1921.

Mr. George G. Bruce,
Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Mr. Bruce:

We have received a voucher from George Haldane, Hydaburg, Alaska, calling for \$75.00 for the month of July. We did not know what to do with this, in as much as the Rev. Mr. Story has been paid for Hydaburg from the first of June. Will you kindly advise us, as well as informing Mr. Haldane in regard to the matter?

The bills which you forwarded for Mr. Fitzgerald will be paid.

Very truly yours,

JD/CH

Acting Treasurer.

HOME MISSION COMMITTEE
AND
VACANCY AND SUPPLY

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OF ALASKA

REV. DAVID WAGGONER,
JUNEAU, ALASKA
STATED CLERK AND TREASURER

REV. JAMES H. CONDIT, D. D.
GENERAL MISSIONARY
JUNEAU, ALASKA

Juneau, Alaska,

August 15, 1921.

Rev. John Dixon, D.D.,
New York.

Dear Dr. Dixon:--

Your letter of August 3d concerning
voucher from George Haldane is at hand.

Inreply I scarcely know what to re-
ply. We knew nothing about Rev. Story's coming until
told us by Dr. Young who has just visited us after
placing Rev. Story on the field. The General Mission-
ary has told the committee to sign no more vouchers.
Last winter he sent Mr. Wells home from Haines and
Rev. Denton home from here without any authority that
I have been able to find, as the Board had made ar-
rangement for us to have four months vacation. And
because of these men going home the church wired us
to return. I have yet had no explanation even from
the Board why this action was taken. We, therefore,
know not what to do as we do not wish to transgress
upon the prerogatives of the General Missionary.
However I will lay the matter before Dr. Young whom
we expect to see this week.

Very truly yours,

Geo. G. Bruce

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The Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 156 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

REPORT OF MISSIONARY FOR QUARTER ENDING JUNE 30TH

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Name of Missionary John H. Smith

P. O. Address

Name of Presbytery Alaska

STATISTICAL REPORT

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GENERAL REPORT

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Our large Protestant services were held regularly, beginning Church after the 22nd of May. People were away from the fishing station of more interest and then I held a regular Sabbath service - two services each Sabbath. This year our people are all over to different fishing stations.

The Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 156 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

REPORT OF MISSIONARY FOR QUARTER ENDING MARCH 31ST

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Name of Missionary George Haldane P. O. Address Hydaburg
 Name of Presbytery Alaska Alaska

STATISTICAL REPORT

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Hydaburg Church	13	6	13	25							11	3	3	2	27

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During this quarter I held service night here in Hydaburg church. The attendance were not as large as I was before. This was due to the fact that the people of Hydaburg wanted to organized a Saturday Army Camp. Most of our church member wanted the Army Camp. Since Mr. Howe and the people had mis. understanding about the affairs of the church, I have a hard matter

to show these people that we do not
need two Churots, in a small place
like ours, I finally got the people all
back to the Churot again. Now every
thing is going just as fine as ever
before, ^{the} people do not really know
just what they will all do for work.
our people depend on truly on summer
work, it is now understood that all summer
will not operate this summer. That I
will rather hard for our people this
year, just now they are doing some
trading and trap and the rest of way
that I could rich the people would
be by following them where ever
they go, First Trading station will
be at Noyes Inland Alaska 45
miles north of Hydaburg. Fishing
begins at Noyes Inland by first of
May.

The Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

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 Name of Presbytery Alaska Alaska

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GENERAL REPORT

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During this quarter the people all come home from they fishing. For these three months people all stay in they homes. About last part of the quarter they began to go about they trapping. The Hyda people depend on two things, fishing and trapping. During these winter months most of the people stay in they homes and all services were held right here in Hydaburg through.

March 17, 1920.

Mrs. J. L. Howe,
Ketchikan,
Alaska.

My dear Mrs. Howe:

Your letter to Dr. Condit has just reached us here and we are distressed about the illness of your husband. I am writing this very hasty note first of all to assure him and you of our deep sympathy and earnest prayers for his speedy recovery, and also to ask you to have him take all the time needed to get thoroughly well. We would suggest that you confer in his behalf with the Home Mission Committee, or Dr. Condit, with reference to the care of his work while he is getting well. It is very important that he do not burden himself too soon. Permit me to say also that if additional money is needed the Board would be glad to make advances on his salary to any extent you may desire.

At our prayer meeting yesterday at noon prayers were requested for Mr. Howe and all the office force who were there joined earnestly in his behalf.

Very sincerely yours,

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Dr. B. B. Bism
Ans by J.Ketchikan Alaska
Mar. 12, 1920 P

Dr. Marquis

Secretary of Presb. Board Home Missions,
156 Fifth Ave., New York.

Dear Sir: - Perhaps I should have found time to write you sooner about our situation. Four weeks ago last night, Mr. Howe took ill. He had had a cold and did not feel well for 3 days or more and had had a funeral to conduct, the burying ground being on another island (and he went minus overshoes as none could be obtained at the ^{native} store). No doctor being near we guessed it was the Influenza. For nearly a week I had almost the entire care of him day and night ~~and~~ as well as of the house and three children and he was a very sick man. After so many complications arose and he was getting so weak I chartered a boat (at \$45) and came over to Ketchikan putting him in the Episcopal hospital which was crowded, ~~and~~ he had to take at first a little room with no window. He was in a critical condition for another week when he began to mend. On Tuesday of this week ~~he~~ was up and out on the sun porch but was put to

bed with phlebitis in the left leg. He will have to remain for some time in bed. The trouble in his right lung has not altogether cleared up and Dr. Myers has been suspicious of a trouble deeply seated. He has made several examinations of his sputum but has found no tubercular germs, tho' he said he would not be surprised if they were there. He also said that Mr. Howe should not consider going back to Hyderabad to take up his work for at least six months; that he were his brother he certainly would want to take him to a warmer climate to recuperate.

Dr. Myers has been exceedingly kind and interested in him and his work. I have written Dr. Condit about ~~Mr.~~ Howe and hope to see him on his way East that he may advise me what to do.

Until today I have been unable to find rooms and have been with two children in the hospitable, tho' crowded home, of Rev. Falconer. Little Jane of 4 years is with a friend. We hope to remove Mr. Howe in a few days. Providence has been guiding.

Hoping for an early reply, I am,

Sincerely yours
(Mrs. J. L. Howe) Lora C. Howe.

MAY 24 1920

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
W. G. FELMETH, MINISTER
NEW KENSINGTON, PA.

The Board Of Home Missions,
Dr. John A. Marquis Sec.,
156 5th Avenue,
New York City, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Marquis, Since speaking with you in Allegheny at the Western Theological Seminary concerning John L. Howe, I have brot the matter to the attention of my Board. They have voted \$250.00 to be sent direct to him for his use. We would like to send it thru the Board of Home Missions and receive credit for it upon our New Era Quota, if that be possible. If this is not possible will you give me his present address, and I shall forward to him from the church. You said that he was at Ketchikan, Alaska, but contemplated coming to the States. Has that change been made, and how does he stand it now.

Sincerely yours,

W. G. Felmeth

W. G. Felmeth,
252 McCargo Street,
New Kensington, Pa.

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Seattle, Wash. June 17, 1920.

Dear Dr. Marquis:-

I have been out of the hospital at Ketchikan for three weeks. I am gradually coming back to normal health. I am still on crutches however. The doctor sees no reason why I should not in time be as strong as ever I was.

Your letter stated that the Board would likely be willing to pay my salary for three months after we had left Alaska with travelling expenses to some point in the States.

For the present, or rather until I get my strength we are going to Wessington, So. Dak. We were in Wessington for four years before we went to Alaska. They are a generous hearted people. They have urged us to go there for the summer saying they would take care of us until I was able to go back to my work. The fact is that we cannot go into a strange place, pay rent and live on \$133 per month. You know what it is for a missionary to borrow money. To go to Wessington seems the only thing that is open to us. I will not be much good anywhere until I at least get back on two feet. The climate in that part of the State is very desirable. If the Board feels justified in paying any part of our travelling expenses it will be graciously accepted; if not no complaint will be made.

The expense is approximately as follows:

2 1/2 fares Ketchikan to Seattle	\$76.00
Hotel, Seattle,	15.00
2 1/2 fares Seattle to Aberdeen, S. D.	130.75
	<u>\$221.75</u>

Approved
by E. Connel
6/24/20

We will leave here for So. Dak. on June 21.

Respectfully yours,

(signed) J. L. HOWE

Dr. M. I just copied this letter
for you information. Mr. Howe
has been taken care of.
M.L.

JUN 21 1920

6/23/20

THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH /
W. G. FELMETH, MINISTER
NEW KENSINGTON, PA.

The Board of Home Missions,
156 Fifth Avenue,
New York City, N.Y.

My dear Dr. Marquis, More than three weeks ago I wrote you asking for information concerning John L. Howe, concerning whom you had spoken at the Western Seminary Commencement. I had taken up an offering for him, and had \$250.00 for his need. I wrote asking disposition of it. Probably the letter has miscarried or been mislaid. May I repeat my questions?

Where can I reach Howe? Shall I send him the money direct, or would it be better to send it thru the Board? If so could you apply it to our quota for the year?

Is Mr. Howe any better or worse? Some of us who knew him well are very anxious about him, and I would appreciate any news I could get of him.

Thanking you in advance for a prompt reply

Yours sincerely,

W. G. Felmeth

W. G. Felmeth,
252 McCargo Street,

June 19, 20.

June 23, 1920.

Rev. W. G. Felmeth,
252 McCargo Street,
New Kensington, Pa.

My dear Mr. Felmeth:-

Your letter of June the nineteenth addressed to the Board of Home Missions has been received. I find that your former letter had reached Dr. Marquis' office, but evidently was mislaid or overlooked. He has now gone on his vacation. I am sure that I express his sentiments, as well as of the Board, in saying that we are deeply grateful to you for having an offering taken up for Mr. Howe, now amounting to \$250. The money may be sent to the Assistant Treasurer of this Board, but I regret to say that it can not be counted in the quota of your church for home missions for the current year seeing that it is no part of the budget of the Board. We would, however, send it to Mr. Howe. If you prefer, it may be just as well for you to send it directly to him. This moment a letter has come from Mr. Howe dated Seattle, Washington, June seventeenth, telling us that he is gradually coming back to normal health, although he is still obliged to use crutches. He purposes to go to Wessington, South Dakota, leaving Seattle on June twenty-first. He does not give us any particular address at Wessington, but I have no doubt but that a letter simply directed to that post-office would reach him.

The Board voted to continue his salary for three months after he left Alaska and pay the necessary traveling expenses of himself and family from Alaska to any point agreed upon between his physician and himself.

Again expressing our grateful appreciation of your kindness to Mr. Howe, I am,

Cordially yours,

JD/I.

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H. L. Howe
Australia

Highland, Kansas, Sept 28/

Rev John Dixon,

New York City.

Dear Dr Dixon: Since we are compelled to give up hope of getting back to Hydaburg, Alaska, Mrs Howe and I are anxious to know what we can do about our household goods. Freight is so high that it will not pay to have them shipped to the States. Does the Board have a man in view for the place? If some one is going there as we did perhaps we could arrange with him to take them. If I remember rightly the Board had some plans developing to furnish the Manses in Alaska. If those plans have been perfected would the Board take the heavier furniture?

I have not recovered from the sickness I had last winter. I have some fear that my leg will never be strong. I cannot wear a shoe on my left foot. It is a bitter disappointment that we cannot go back. I hope some one has been secured to go to Hydaburg.

Fraternally Yours,

F. L. Howe

October 2, 1920.

Rev. J. L. Howe,

Highland, Kansas.

My dear Sir:-

Your letter of September the twenty-eighth has been received during the absence of both Dr. Dixon and Dr. Young, but the latter will undoubtedly be in the office on Monday next. I understand he is in correspondence with a minister to take up the work at Hy-daburg, but I do not know just how the matter stands at present. I shall be glad to refer your letter to Dr. Young, and also, to Dr. Dixon who is absent now on his vacation but will return some time next week probably. He will be sorry to hear that your health has not improved and that you are obliged to give up the idea of going back to Alaska. It must indeed be a disappointment to you.

Sincerely yours,

For Dr. Dixon.

FEB 4 - 1921

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Highland, Kansas, Feb 1.

Rev John Dixon.D.D.

New York, N.Y.

Dear Dr Dixon: In my correspondence with Dr Condit about the work at Hydaburg I asked him if there was any foundation for my fears in believing or rather thinking that the Board had not "continued my salary for three months after you leave Alaska" because the Board came to the conclusion that enough had been sunk on me. I refer to your letter of April the 1st. In a letter just received from Dr Condit he assures me that there was present no such feeling. He says it must have been due to an oversight on the part of the Board.

We left Alaska on the 10th of June. This was as soon as the Doctor would permit me to leave. I might say that I walked on crutches for two months after this. It is about five weeks since I have been able to wear an ordinary shoe on my foot. It goes without saying that our expenses were heavy during the summer.

I do not feel that the Board is under any obligations to us whatever. Viewed from the purely human standpoint the circumstances of our leaving Alaska has been by all odds the most bitter disappointment of my life. We plodded away there at Hydaburg for over four years trying to get a plant built so we might be in position to do something. Just as our hopes were about to be realized I was carried away from it on a stretcher never even getting back to say farewell. No one can know what that has meant to me. It was also hard to give up the thought of getting back into some other form of Mission work in Alaska. But when it became evident that my leg would probably never be strong again we were compelled to abandon any such hope. When my salary stopped the way it did I got the idea somehow that the Board felt that I had been a poor risk.

I came here to Highland College the first of October where I could have light work until I got stronger. I will probably stay here.

I am anxious to know if there is any prospect for Hydaburg to be provided with a missionary soon. They need one badly.

Sincerely,

J. L. Howe.

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February 4, 1921.

Rev. J. L. Howe,
Highland, Kansas.

My dear Mr. Howe:-

Your letter of February first is received. I hastened at once to investigate the situation and found that at a meeting of the Executive Council of the Board held on June twenty-fourth order was taken to pay your expense bill amounting to \$221.75, and also, to pay your salary up to September fifteenth, thereby carrying out the offer which had been made by the officers of the Board to you regarding your salary. Upon inquiry at the Treasurer's office, I find that the expense item was paid, but no check sent for salary. This we all very deeply regret. It is explained, however, by the fact that the clerk having salary matters in charge always awaits the coming of a voucher from the missionaries and, as in your case you had no thought of sending a voucher, the Treasurer's office did not prepare a special voucher to cover your salary and the thing was not attended to. Mr. Banks asks me to enclose his check for \$333.35 covering your salary up to the fifteenth of September. I hope you will find this to be in entire fulfillment of your expectations.

I am exceedingly sorry to hear that you have not recovered your old-time health and vigor, and that you still have difficulty in getting from place to place. May the Great Physician whose power is as mighty today as it was when He was upon the earth be pleased to grant you entire restoration, give you many happy years of continued service for the Master and fill your heart with all needed good and grace.

And with all good wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

Enclosure-
JD/I.

March 31, 1921.

To the Native Church of Hyaburg.

Our very dear Friends,

It is now almost forty years since your mission and church were established under our care. We have watched your growth in Christian life and civilization with very great interest. We thank God that your people have come out of heathen darkness into the light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We are proud of you and we believe that you are ready to go on to greater things in the future.

You have done so well that we believe the time has come for you to take another step in advance and that is to do something towards supporting your own church.

This Mission Board, which has supported you for almost forty years, has been enlarging its work all over the United States and has been increasing the amount of money given for Home Missions every year. So many millions of people demand our help that our Board finds itself facing the greatest debt of its history. We are calling upon our children everywhere in all mission churches to help us more than they have ever done before in order that the Gospel may still be preached everywhere and sinners may be converted to God.

Heretofore the Indian Churches of Alaska have been the only ones of all the Indian Churches who have given little or nothing to help themselves. We are now asking you to make an effort to progress towards self-support. We ask from your Church, during the coming year, from March 1st, the sum of \$300.00. This will be an average of \$3.00 for each member during the year, or \$.06 a week. Some of you can raise more than this, while others may find it hard to raise as much. The strong must help the weak. Many of the Indian women can make a basket or weave a rug, which will pay their dues. The men can give their wages for a few days without any serious loss to themselves.

Read Malachi, third chapter and tenth verse, which preaches God's command to us; we are happy and prosperous only when we obey His commands.

Other Indian tribes in other parts of the United States have been very generous in their efforts towards paying for the Gospel preached among them. Among the Nez Perces in Idaho their five churches pay all but from \$100 to \$140 each for the support of the Gospel among them. In Dakota and Wyoming, the Sioux and other Indians are doing the same thing. These missions are happy and those that give most are the happiest.

When you first began to come to the Light, you were as babies, new born, weak and ignorant and unable to help yourselves. Now you are getting to be men and women and preparing to be Christian citizens of the United States. We are giving you a chance now to show your strength. The Russian and Catholic missions of Alaska have always required regular tithes from their people and the natives have gladly paid these tithes. We do not want the Presbyterian Churches to be behind them.

We hope to hear from your missionary that you have answered this request by all heartily saying, "Yes, we will." With a prayer for God's richest blessings upon you, we are, as always,

Yours friends in Christ,

GENERAL SECRETARY.

SHY: JD

Copy

May 11, 1921

Rev. J.L.Howe,
Highland, Kansas.

Dear Mr. Howe:

Your letter of the 27th of April did not reach me until today because of the shipping strike and scarcity of boats. At present we have nothing but the Canadian Pacific boats on the run.

Enclosed please find a copy of my letter of today to Mr. Banks recommending payment of \$166 on furniture. I trust that this will reach you promptly. While not what you would like to have received I felt that this was all that the Board could afford to pay for the articles, some of which are badly worn.

Kindly let me know if the check comes from Mr. Banks. I would also like to know whether a satisfactory adjustment in regard to your salary payments was made by the Board. I asked about this before but you must have overlooked it.

Cordially yours,

Copy to Mr. Banks.

James H. Condit

May 25, 1921.

Rev. J. L. Howe,

Highland, Kansas.

My dear Mr. Howe:-

We have received a communication from Dr. Condit concerning certain articles which you are disposed to sell to the Board under the general plan of the Board in providing certain heavy pieces of furniture for the manses in Alaska. I regret to say that I find it necessary to correspond with Dr. Condit further in regard to the matter and as soon as I hear from him I will write you again.

Hoping that you are in good health, and with best wishes,
I am,

Cordially yours,

JD/I.

Acting Treasurer.

dated 5/11/21
Filed in
Exec. Office
with vouchers
which papers
was made for
Alaska
furniture

Handwritten: 2000-10-10
May 25, 1921.

Rev. James H. Condit, D.D.,

Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Dr. Condit:-

In your letter of May the eleventh, giving the articles and the prices which you recommend the Board to take from Mr. Howe and pay him, are included "Rugs - \$5. and Mattress - \$7.50". According to Article 3 in the "Plan for Furnishing Alaska Manses", both mattresses and rugs are not to be purchased by the Board. I do not feel free on my own responsibility to disregard the Board's plan, and therefore, would be under obligation to you to present the reason for your including them, in order that I may submit it to the Executive Council.

Cordially yours,

JD/I.

June 21, 1921.

Rev. J. L. Howe,

Highland, Kansas.

My dear Mr. Howe:-

Yours of June the eighteenth is received, making inquiry as to when the matter of payment for your furniture will be adjusted. I wrote to Dr. Condit on May twenty-fifth, but up to this writing we have not received a reply from him. I am very sorry for the delay, but you may count upon our giving the matter immediate attention as soon as Dr. Condit's reply is received and he authorizes us to make final payment.

I am, however, sending you \$125. on account, which I hope will help you out of your present emergency.

Cordially yours,

Enclosure-

ED/I.

June 21, 1921.

Rev. J. H. Condit, D.D.,
Hotel Frye,
Seattle, Wash.

My dear Dr. Condit:-

Under date of May the twenty-fifth, I wrote you about the bill received from you for Mr. Howe's furniture in the manse at Hydaburg. As no reply has been received from you, I fear that either your letter or mine has gone astray. I am sending you a copy of it.

Hoping that this will reach you in time to send word before you start for Point Barrow, I am,

Cordially yours,

Enclosure-

JD/I.

JUN 24 1921

PRESBYTERY OF ALASKA

PRESBYTERY OF YUKON
JAMES H. CONDIT
STATED CLERK

THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS
OF THE
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE U. S. A.

HEADQUARTERS
NO. 156 FIFTH AVENUE
NEW YORK

TERRITORY OF ALASKA
JAMES H. CONDIT, D. D., GENERAL MISSIONARY
JUNEAU, ALASKA

Jun 13, 1921

Rev. John Dixon, D.D.,
156 5th Avenue,
New York.

Dear Dr. Dixon:

Your inquiry of May 25th regarding items of
"Rugs-\$5, and Mattress-\$7.50" recommended for purchase from
the Rev. J.L. Howe, is at hand.

I hope that the Executive Council may see fit to
make an exception in the purchase of these articles, which, according
to the strict interpretation of the law, are not included in the list
of "permanent" articles, which the Board proposes to furnish, and
for the following reasons:

First, Mr. Howe presented one complete bed outfit,
bedstead, springs and mattress to the manse. The mattress listed
fits the bedstead immediately following in the submitted list.
It properly belongs with this bed. In addition, the freight to and
from the out of the way port of Hydaburg is so great that it would cost
more than the price of the mattress, as submitted, to ship one in like it
from the outside. It seemed to me a pity, therefore, to dispose of it
for the small amount which it would bring from some native purchaser
in Hydaburg.

Secondly, The same line of argument applies to the rugs,
which are of Congoleum, quite worn, but still serviceable for a time.
I thought it would be advisable to take them over for the small price
indicated rather than to dispose of them at the very small price they
would bring in Hydaburg.

And, thirdly, I wanted to favor Mr. Howe as much
as possible because of all the expense he had been put to in his long
illness, with hospital bill, etc., etc. It became necessary for me to
cut down his estimate of the value of the furniture offered by some
25%. He accepted the cut and I would like to see this concession
made involving as it does only \$12.50 additional.

This instance would establish no precedent.

Cordially yours,

James H. Condit

THE BOARD OF HOME MISSIONS
OF THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN THE
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
156 FIFTH AVENUE
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VARIAN BANKS, ASSISTANT TREASURER

Dear Miss Cappellet

Some time ago a pastor wrote in
offering \$250 for Mr. Haur personally. I
think I referred the matter to Dr. Dixon.
Please look it up & do two things.

1. See that Haur gets the \$250. Mr. Banks
will tell about credit & other points raised
in the letter.
2. See that the pastor's letter is acknowledged
with explanation of delay, if this has
not already been done.

Hastily Yrs.

Wm. H. H.

AUG 8 - 1920

The Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

No. 156 FIFTH AVENUE, NEW YORK

REPORT OF MISSIONARY FOR QUARTER ENDING JUNE 30TH

Please forward this report to the Secretary promptly after the date mentioned.

Name of Missionary J. h. HughesName of Presbytery Yukon

P. O. Address

Anchorage
Alaska

STATISTICAL REPORT

In the *Statistical Report*, under "Names of Churches and Stations," please write the name of each preaching place, following each in the spaces on the same line with information as to the quarter's work.

NAMES OF CHURCHES AND STATIONS	PREACHING SERVICES				OTHER SERVICES				MONTHLY MEETINGS FOR MISSIONARY STUDY AND PRAYER		Number of Pastoral Calls	MEMBERS RECEIVED		BAPTISMS	
	SABBATH		MID-WEEK		SABBATH		MID-WEEK					On Ex.	On Cer.	Adult	Infant
	No.	Ave. Att.	No.	Ave. Att.	No.	Ave. Att.	No.	Ave. Att.	SUBJECTS	Ave. Att.					
1st. Pres. Church	2	70	1	8	2	S.S. 87 C.E. 30			Sunday School	12			1		4

GENERAL REPORT

In the *General Report*, please give some details of the various departments of the work, with its trials and encouragements, and any facts or incidents that will inform the Board as to the field, or interest the Home Mission givers throughout the Church at large. Both sides of this sheet may be used.

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HOME MISSION COMMITTEE
AND
VACANCY AND SUPPLY

PRESBYTERY
OF ALASKA

REV. DAVID WAGGONER,
JUNEAU, ALASKA
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REV. DAVID WAGGONER, JUNEAU, ALASKA

Juneau, Alaska,
December 11, 1920.

Rev. John Dixon, D.D.,
156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

My dear Dr. Dixon:

I have just learned this evening that Dr. Condit has advised Mr. Denton to return to his work at Haines and that he has also notified Mr. Wells that his service at Haines will terminate on January 1st, 1921. The arrangement which Mr. Bruce made with Mr. Wells in accordance with his correspondence with the Board was that Mr. Wells would care for the work at Haines until the return of Mr. Bruce after an absence of four months, which is his vacation period.

With the termination of Mr. Wells service his salary for the service rendered is due. As Mr. Bruce wrote to you, and as he also notified the Home Mission Committee of Presbytery, Mr. Wells was to have \$75 per month and his travelling expenses to and from his home at Sitka. This would be as follows;

Salary for October, November, December, -- @ \$75,	\$225.00
Expense Steamer Sitka - Haines	\$29.75
" " Return	29.75
	<u>\$59.50</u>
TOTAL	\$ 284.50

If this amount is sent to my care I will attend to getting whatever vouchers the Treasurer may require.

I am sorry that Mr. Wells will not be able to go on to Klukwan. The illness of his daughter has detained Mrs. Wells at Sitka, and without his wife it will not be wise to send Mr. Wells to Klukwan. Mr. Wells is a man tried and true among the native people and he has done much for the good of the work at Haines. I am only sorry that we have not more men like him coming from our School at Sitka. I have known Mr. Wells for eighteen years, and everywhere I have found him, I have found ^{him} teaching and living Christ, and withal a man of deep humility. I wish sometimes that yourself, and other members of the Board could meet some of these men who have made good. It compensates you, as it does us, for the trials and weariness that comes when so many fail to yield the fruits of the Gospel.

Praying for you the "Joys of the Christmas Time"

I am

Sincerely yours,

David Waggoner

December 23, 1920.

Rev. David Waggoner,

Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Brother:-

First of all let me thank you very much for your Christmas card. I am pleased that you should have thought of me at this happy season. Kindly accept my cordial good wishes for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year for yourself and for your loved ones.

The Board made a grant of \$75. per month for the services of Mr. Wells at Haines for the three months of October, November and December. The Board also voted a sum not exceeding \$50. to cover Mr. Wells' transportation expenses, and a check for this sum has been sent to Dr. Condit. I notice that you name \$59.50 for Mr. Wells' expenses. If he finds that his necessary expenses exceed the \$50., will you please report that fact and I will ask the Board to make an additional grant to cover it.

You say that Mr. Wells is not able to go to Klukwan by reason of the illness of his daughter. I am very sorry indeed that his daughter is ill and hope that she may soon be restored to health. I presume, however, that you are aware that the Board is quite reluctant to use practically uneducated and untrained Indian men for anything like permanent work. Even the work that Mr. Wells has been doing at Haines in the absence of Mr. Denton is one about which we would have had some question were it not that no other person was available. We are, therefore, grateful to him for taking charge of the work. Now, this opens up a large question which can not be discussed by correspondence. The school at Sitka has been in existence a good many years. So far as I now recall (I hope I am mistaken) Edward Marsden is the only person who studied at Sitka who has found his way into the ministry. I am ready to admit that the Board is partly to blame for this because there ought to have been a living connection between the Sitka school and the work of the Board in Alaska, and some provision made for one of the missionaries qualified for the task to take one or more of these students and train them for the Christian ministry.

Yes, I have often wished that I could go to Alaska, but the only chance of my ever seeing it will be from the other world. Until that day comes, however, I shall retain a deep and lively interest in all of our good men who are laboring there and in the great work which they are carrying on.

And with best wishes, I am, as ever,

Cordially yours,

APPLICATION FOR AID

TO THE

Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian Church

IN THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

156 Fifth Avenue, New York

RULES OF THE BOARD

Every church should, by a systematic and self-denying effort, or by union with one or more neighboring churches, endeavor to support itself before seeking aid of the Board of Home Missions, and when it becomes evident that aid must be received, the smallest amount needed should be asked.

It is required of every church before seeking aid that there be a thorough every-member canvass of the congregation for pledges towards the pastor's support. The Board expects that the minimum contribution shall not be less than ten cents a week per member.

It is also required that the minister live on his field and devote his whole time to the work for which he is commissioned by the Board, and be engaged in no other calling or business.

Application from churches asking aid should be sent to the Presbytery, or its Home Mission Committee and received by the Board as near the date of the minister's beginning his work as possible. No grant is made to a church for ministerial supply in the interval between the resignation of one pastor and the calling of another.

When aid is granted to any church, it is done on the condition that it shall make at least an annual offering for all the Boards; **also, that due notice be given to the Board and Home Mission Committee of Presbytery, by the minister, if the field is to be vacated before the expiration of his commission.**

All applications must be renewed before a new grant can be made. **In seeking renewals all the blanks in the form prepared should be filled, and every item of information necessary to the complete understanding of the case be furnished the Board.** Facts stated in former applications can not be accepted as satisfactory for the renewal.

By direction of the General Assembly, every application must be approved and forwarded (a) by the Presbytery to which the church belongs, or (b) by the Presbytery's Committee on Home Missions. The recommendation of missionaries and the amount of aid must be determined by ballot.

(FILL EVERY BLANK)

SYNOD of Washington

PRESBYTERY of Alaska

Missionary District of Juneau Native including the Presbyterian churches of

Juneau
and the out-stations of Douglas

Missionary in Charge, Rev. David Wagoner P. O. Address Juneau, Alaska

Amount of aid asked from the Board for the minister, \$ 1560 From what date? April No. of months 12

HELPERS	P. O. Address	Amount of Aid Asked from Board	No. of Months	From What Date?	Total Salary
(1)		\$			\$
(2)		\$			\$
(3)		\$			\$
(4)		\$			\$
(5)		\$			\$
(6)		\$			\$

Have the congregations been thoroughly and systematically canvassed for pledges for salaries and other expenses?

The pledges for salaries amount to \$ 40; for rents and travel \$ _____; for current expenses \$ 300

The amount paid last year for salaries was \$ 40; for rents and travel \$ _____; for current expenses \$ 300

Are there any church edifices in your district? yes If so how many and where located? Two

Juneau - Douglas

Are there any manses in your district? yes If so how many and where located? one

Juneau, Alaska

Rent per month \$ _____ Paid by whom? _____

Population of your district 300 Principal business Fishing and Mining

The other denominations represented in the district, with their respective memberships, are as follows:

Roman - Greek Catholic, some Salvation Army

[illegible]

Out-Stations

[illegible]

The foregoing application of the Native Church of _____
Juneau, Alaska, and Douglas is hereby approved
by the Presbytery of Alaska and its Home Mission Committee for \$ 1560⁰⁰
from April 1, 1920 to March 31, 1921
Geo. G. Bruce Chairman of Committee
April 15, 1920

REMARKS BY THE HOME MISSION COMMITTEE

Application by churches for aid from the Board, requests for application blanks, and all correspondence pertaining to grants, should be addressed to Board of Home Missions, 156 Fifth Ave.

May 6, 1920.

Rev. David Waggoner,

Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Brother:-

The Board has been compelled to make serious reductions from the Estimates submitted, not only from Alaska but in every other department. We are glad and grateful for the help your Indians have given in providing for your support, but we are asking every Indian congregation in Alaska to raise if possible not less than \$100. for their pastor. This sum is to be paid to a local treasurer and by him turned over to the pastor. In sending to our treasury your usual monthly voucher, please report the amount received by you from your local treasurer so that the proper reduction may be made here.

The officers of the Board are not unmindful of the fact that you may approach this duty with some hesitancy, but our prayer is that you may be guided from above both in spirit and method of performance and that you may have both joy and success.

Vouchers for the current year will be forwarded to you by the Treasurer's office. Report blanks for the year are enclosed herewith, one set to be sent to the Board and a duplicate copy to Dr. Condit, General Missionary for Alaska.

And with all good wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

Enclosures-

JD/I.

MAY 12 1920

Juneau, Alaska,
May 3rd, 1920.

Rev. John Dixon, D.D.,
156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Dear Dr. Dixon:

I am enclosing herewith a copy of Dr. Condit's report to Presbytery, together with action of Presbytery upon the same, and the additional problems confronting us at this time, for the information of the Board.

Our meeting this year was noted for the deep earnestness of the men and the prayerful consideration of our serious problems due to so many of our fields being without a missionary to lead the people. We have received late word from Mr. Howe that he is not improving and that he is now carrying a temperature which may indicate tuberculosis. Dr. Condit has just written me of your action toward relieving Mr. Howe's distress. I am very grateful for the helpfulness of the Board for this helpless brother beloved.

Our meeting of Presbytery was delayed this year first on account of Easter, and then when Mr. Fitzgerald reached Juneau we had considerable work to do to get the boat safe to go to Kake in the storms which were prevailing.

On the First day of April while putting up a curtain for displaying some pictures on the Life of Christ, the chair upon which I was standing slipped from the platform and I was thrown to the floor. My right shoulder was almost pulled from the socket and the right wrist badly sprained. It has been with difficulty that I have written this report even after several days delay. May I therefore ask that the copy of Dr. Condit's report be returned to me. I intended to make a copy and send to you.

Presbytery has asked my appointment as special worker to supply vacant fields &c. I want to say to the Board that while I do not in any way desire to leave my work in Juneau, nor do I want give up my home life, for the position will mean three fourths of my time away from home, I cannot refuse to be guided by the Brethren of the Presbytery and the Board. We have vacant Klukwan, Wrangell, and Hydaburg. The work has suffered seriously during the past months. If I can be used in any way to further the Masters work I feel that I cannot refuse.

In regard to looking after the building of the Wrangell manse this ought to be under way at the earliest possible moment. I have now received the plans and specifications which Mr. Clark submitted last year. I have not yet had opportunity to learn the present cost of construction. I will go over them as soon as I can.

May I take this opportunity of Thanking the Board for my vacation this winter. It has been of untold advantage to me and help in spiritual uplift. I made about thirty addresses in churches and societies, and Mrs. Waggoner probably made half as many. We were made happy by being told that we were helping the churches increase their Home Mission offerings. We found many friends.

Sincerely,

David Waggoner

June 29, 1920.

Rev. David Waggoner,

Juneau, Alaska.

My dear Brother:-

Your letter of May the third was duly received. The plans for the Wrangell manse were long delayed. We have looked them over and we are inclined to your opinion with regard to them. If the plans which you sent cannot be altered into a building that will be satisfactory to yourself and the others of the committee of Presbytery who are competent to judge of such matters, then it would be necessary to obtain new plans. It would be a great mistake to put up a building that was not perfectly adapted to the climate and conditions at Wrangell.

The Board was favorably impressed with the suggestion of the Presbytery that a special worker should be appointed to supply vacant fields, etc., but the financial condition and prospects of the Board are such as to absolutely forbid it. This is an old excuse, but in my judgment it never was more sincere and discouraging than it is this year. But brighter days surely must come, especially if the New Era should prove the success that we will hope it will be.

I am returning the report of Dr. Condit which you were kind enough to send.

I am not sure that I understand correctly the recommendation of the Presbytery concerning Hydaburg. Did the Presbytery vote to authorize Mr. Bromley to employ a lay worker for one month at a salary of \$50.00 to labor at Hydaburg? And also, that the Board should be asked to commission George Haldane at a salary of \$75.00 per month? As we do

D. Waggoner—2

June 29, 1920.

not for a moment think the Presbytery would overlap in the matter, our interpretation is that the lay worker for \$50. for one month was simply to hold the fort until Haldane could be started in to take charge of it until the arrival of a missionary. If this is correct, send on the voucher for \$50. for the unnamed lay worker and it will be paid. If I am in error, help me to a correct understanding.

We shall send a list of grants to Mr. Bruce as voted by the Board, in response to the request of the Presbytery. The Treasurer will also honor any voucher countersigned by Mr. Bruce, the Chairman, or by the Home Mission Committee.

It was a very reasonable thing for the Presbytery to ask that the heavy furniture as now owned by the missionaries should be appraised and purchased by the Board, but we must ask that the brethren will bear with us when we seek for a little delay in doing this. You have no idea how hard up the Board is and I hope that you will have no practical experience of it.

With regard to the recommendation of the Presbytery about the heavy articles of furniture, I regret to say that the Board does not look with favor upon providing study desk, chair and book shelves, nor upon the suggestion of linoleum. Should the Board reconsider this matter and vote to provide these articles, it will give me pleasure to inform you.

With all good wishes, I am,

Cordially yours,

Enclosure—

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JAN 24 1921

HOME MISSION COMMITTEE
AND
VACANCY AND SUPPLY

PRESBYTERY OF ALASKA

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Juneau, Alaska,

January 13, 1921.

Rev. John Dixon, D.D.,

156 Fifth Avenue, New York.

Dear Brother:

In accordance with your letter of December 23, 1920, in regard to the travelling expense of Mr. Wells from his special work at Haines; "I notice that you name \$59.50 for Mr. Wells expenses. If he finds that his necessary expenses exceed the \$50., will you please report that fact and I will ask the Board to make an additional grant to cover it." I am enclosing his statement of expense.

Mr. Wells came in last night on the local boat "Estebeth" and goes on tonight. He has had to get a place to stop ashore while the boat is in port. This has added \$1.00 to my former statement making the total \$60.40.

This amount seems high for so short a trip, but it is the fare we have to pay on local boats, and the larger steamers have all withdrawn from the runs. On the large steamer in summer we can go from Juneau to Sitka for \$6.50 while the local boat charges \$20.35. This fact is one that cannot be well understood in New York but has to be borne by us here. I have verified Mr. Wells account with the purser.

Sincerely yours,

David Waggoner,

Dr. Condit has not received the \$50 mentioned in your letter. He has received and delivered to Mr. Wells the \$225.

#2. (5) Study Deck etc - Presby.
~~also~~ substitutes etc.

Native worker at \$50.

Also (?) Haldane at \$75

Presby. Univ.

Send grants to Chr

Absence of Condit H.M. Com.

Counter-sign vouchers

March 30, 1921.

To the Native Church of Juneau and Mission of Douglas:-

Our very dear Friends,

It is now almost forty years since your mission and church were established under our care. We have watched your growth in Christian life and civilization with very great interest. We thank God that your people have come out of heathen darkness into the light of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. We are proud of you and we believe that you are ready to go on to greater things in the future.

You have done so well that we believe the time has come for you to take another step in advance and that is to do something towards supporting your own church.

This Mission Board, which has supported you for forty years, has been enlarging its work all over the United States and has been increasing the amount of money given for Home Missions every year. So many millions of people demand our help that our Board finds itself facing the greatest debt of its history. We are calling upon our children everywhere in all mission churches to help us more than they have ever done before in order that the Gospel may still be preached everywhere and sinners may be converted to God.

Heretofore the Indian Churches of Alaska have been the only ones of all the Indian Churches who have given little or nothing to help themselves. We are now asking you to make an effort to progress towards self-support. We ask from your church, during the coming year, from March 1st, the sum of \$300. This will be an average of \$3.00 for each member during the year, or \$.06 per week. Some of you can raise more than this, while others may find it hard to raise as much. The strong must help the weak. Many of the Indian women can make a basket or weave a rug, which will pay their dues. The men can give their wages for a few days without any serious loss to themselves.

Read Malachi, third chapter and tenth verse, which preaches God's com and to us; we are happy and prosperous only when we obey His Commands.

Other Indian tribes in other parts of the United States have been very generous in their efforts towards paying for the Gospel preached among them. Among the Nez Perces in Idaho their five churches pay all but from \$100 to \$140 each for the support of the Gospel among them. In Dakota and Wyoming, the Sioux and other Indians are doing the same thing. These missions are happy and those that give most are the happiest.

When you first began to come to the Light, you were as babies, new born, weak and ignorant and unable to help yourselves. Now you are getting to be men and women and preparing to be Christian citizens of the United States. We are giving you a chance now to show your strength. The Russian and Catholic missions of Alaska have always required regular tithes from their people and the natives have gladly paid these tithes. We do not want the Presbyterian churches to be behind them.

We hope to hear from your missionary that you have answered this request by all heartily saying, "Yes, we will." With a prayer for God's richest blessings upon you, we are as always,

Your friends in Christ,

GENERAL SECRETARY

SEY:JD

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